AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

46. (Currently Amended) A digital video signal playback device for reproducing digital video information from an optical disk, said device comprising:

disk rotation means—unit for rotating said optical disk, said optical disk storing digital video information that includes I-picture data for intra-frame coded pictures, P-picture data for predictive coded pictures, and B-picture data for bi-directionally predictive coded pictures, said digital video information being arranged in a plurality of fixed length image data blocks that include each of which includes—data for a sequence of I-, P-, and B-pictures;

counting means unit for counting a number of image data blocks to calculate a position of desired video information on said optical disk; and

an optical head for emitting light onto a portion of said optical disk in accordance with the calculated position of desired video information and detecting light reflected from said optical disk to generate a playback signal that is used to reproduce said desired video information from said optical disk.

47. (Previously Presented) The digital video signal playback device according to claim 46, wherein each image data block is a group of pictures.

- 48. (Previously Presented) The digital video signal playback device according to claim 46, wherein said desired video information is special playback data.
- 49. (Currently Amended) A method of reproducing digital video information from an optical disk, said method comprising:

rotating said optical disk, said optical disk storing digital video information that includes I-picture data for intra-frame coded pictures, P-picture data for predictive coded pictures, and B-picture data for bi-directionally predictive coded pictures, said digital video information being arranged in a plurality of fixed length image data blocks each of which includes that include data for a sequence of I-, P-, and B-pictures;

counting a number of image data blocks to calculate a position of desired video information on said optical disk;

emitting light onto a portion of said optical disk in accordance the calculated position of desired video information; and

detecting light reflected from said optical disk to generate a playback signal that is used to reproduce the desired video information.

50. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 49, wherein each image data block is a group of pictures.

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51. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 49, wherein said desired video information is special playback data.